

LOUISIANA WILD LIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 26, 1967

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MEETING HELD IN NEW ORLEANS

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The regular monthly meetings of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission were held in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, September 24, 25 and 26, 1967.

Sunday's meeting consisted of conferences with the various Commission members to discuss Commission matters and on Monday with the Division Chiefs in preparation of the agenda for the Tuesday meeting.

The public meeting was held on Tuesday, September 26, 1967, at 10:00 A.M., in Room 226, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission Building, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Members present at both meetings were:

Jimmie Thompson, Chairman

H. B. Fairchild, Vice-Chairman

Jerry G. Jones

John Edwin Kyle, Jr.

Hobson Norris

ABSENT: H. Clay Wright

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Thompson who stated the first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the previous Commission meetings.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the reading of the minutes of the meetings of June 22 and 23, July 16 and 17, and July 24 and 25, 1967 were dispensed with and approved as previously submitted to the Commission.

Chairman Thompson stated the next person to speak was Mr. Yancey; however, since he was unavoidably detained Chairman Thompson called on Dr. St. Amant to explain his segment of the agenda.

Dr. St. Amant said the Commission received a request for a permit to dredge for fill material in the Rigolets area in the name of A. D. Geoghegan, Jr., Edwin A. Geoghegan, et al. The request was submitted by Williams-McWilliams Industries, Inc. along with the necessary plats and maps applying for a permit in the name of Geoghegans. Dr. St. Amant said the fill material is to be transferred to adjacent land in order to facilitate land reclamation. It is estimated that approximately two million cubic yards of sand fill will be required for the operation. Dr. St. Amant stated an examination of the request indicated that it would in no way effect the wildlife and fisheries interest and this request meets all requirements set forth by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission; therefore, he recommended that the permit be granted.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission received a request for a permit with the necessary plats and maps in which Williams-McWilliams Industries, Inc. applied for a

permit in the name of the Geoghegans in order to dredge for fill material in the Rigolets area.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant permission to the Geoghegans in the name of A. D. Geoghegan, Jr., Edwin A. Geoghegan, et al, to dredge for fill material in the Rigolets area. This material, approximately two million cubic yards of sand fill, is to be transferred to adjacent land in order to facilitate land reclamation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Dr. St. Amant then said the Commission also received a request for a permit from Jahncke Services, Inc. to dredge for silica sand in the lower end of Lake Pontchartrain in the vicinity of the west end of the Rigolets. Dr. St. Amant said this request has been examined and found to meet all requirements set forth by the Commission; thereby it was recommended that this request be granted.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant permission to Jahncke Service, Inc. to dredge for silica sand in the lower end of Lake Pontchartrain in the vicinity of the west end of the Rigolets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Chairman Thompson then said, "I am going to take a little time, right now, to say a few things and to recognize a person

in this room I have become so accustomed to him, that I just think he is suppose to be here all the time. He is a recently retired member of the Board and probably one of the better members we have ever had on this Board. I have said this many times and I think all of the Board concurs with me. Certainly, he is a man of integrity, a knowledgeable man, a man who fits very well on this Commission. Now, after I have said all of these sweet things about him, I am going to tell that Frenchman that we are going to introduce him today, but I am told that after his last term of office, he appeared at every meeting and I think he plans to appear at every meeting from now on. So, A. J. Buquet, would you stand up this time--- A. J., we are glad to have you back with us."

Chairman Thompson then recognized Mr. Richard Yancey.

Mr. Yancey said the Commission recently requested the Louisiana Division of Administration to advertise for bids for the sale of Commission owned aircraft, Widgeon N-1629H. A total of eight bids were received with the high bidder being Jack Adams Aircraft Sales, Walls, Mississippi, in the amount of \$28,700.00. Mr. Yancey explained that the other bids ranged down to \$2,020.00 and recommended the sale of the airplane to the high bidder. Chairman Thompson concurred with Mr. Yancey and also recommended that the Commission accept the high bid of Jack Adams Aircraft Sales in the amount of \$28,700.00.

On motion of Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Division of Administration, at the request of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, advertised for bids for the sale of Widgeon N-1629H and received a total of eight bids on August 28, 1967.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby approve and request that the Louisiana Division of Administration sell Widgeon Aircraft N-1629H to the highest bidder, Jack Adams Aircraft Sales, Box 121, Walls, Mississippi, in the amount of \$28,700.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Yancey then explained that the Commission had previously requested the attorney to prepare an opinion and resolution to provide uniformity in the Louisiana deer hunting regulations as they apply to shooting swimming deer or shooting from highways or using certain types of rifles and bows. Act 377 of the 1966 Legislature exempted some 37 parishes from these prohibitions inadvertantly at the time control over the setting of doe seasons was being vested in the Commission rather than in the Parish Police Juries. Mr. Yancey recommended that the following resolution which was prepared by George Stringer, be adopted in order to bring about uniformity in deer hunting regulations over the entire State.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Norris, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that ~~in~~ the conformity with the powers vested by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana and by Revised Statutes of the State, in the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission,

granting the power to adopt rules and regulations for the comprehensive control of birds, wild quadrupeds, etc. and in obedience to its duty to protect and propagate all species of game of whatever description, and under its authority to prescribe methods of taking wildlife in order to insure an adequate supply of wildlife, the Commission adopts the following resolution relating thereto:

"It shall be prohibited of any person to take a wild deer at any time when driven to the high lands by overflow or high water; or hunt or shoot deer at any time with a rifle smaller than a .22 caliber or a shotgun using a shell loaded with shot less than buckshot or rifled slug, or a bow with less than thirty pounds pull or other than metal broad head arrows; or hunt or shoot deer while from or on a highway or road right-of-way; or stand or loiter on any road that is maintained by the federal government, the state and federal government, the state or any parish, and its right-of-way or road right-of-way, with a gun during deer season. It shall be illegal to take deer while deer are swimming or while the hunter is in a boat with motor attached in operating condition, provided that the restrictions in this sentence shall not apply to any person who has lost one or more limbs."

Mr. Yancey then explained that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission had previously requested the Louisiana Division of Administration to advertise for bids on the fencing of the Red River Wildlife Management Area, located in lower Concordia Parish. On September 5, 1967, one bid was received by the Division of Administration from Hurricane Fence Company of New Orleans, La. in the amount of \$56,490.00. Mr. Yancey said the Louisiana Division of Administration advertised for bids on this project for a period of 20 days; however, they only received one bid. He then recommended

that the Commission accept this bid as it is in line with the estimated cost.

On motion of Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby approve and request the Louisiana Division of Administration to issue a contract to Hurricane Fence Company of New Orleans, 2200 David Drive, Metairie, Louisiana, in the amount of \$56,490.00 for the fencing of the Red River Wildlife Management Area, lower Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Yancey then told the Commission that the Louisiana Department of Public Works has completed plans and specifications for the construction of a levee and water control structure on the Saline Wildlife Management Area in Catahoula and LaSalle Parishes for waterfowl management purposes. Mr. Yancey said the estimated cost for this 500 acre impoundment is \$52,000.00 and that the Louisiana Division of Administration had given its approval. He then recommended that the Commission approve of the Louisiana Department of Public Works advertising for bids for this project.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Public Works has completed plans and specifications for the construction of a levee and water control structure on the Commission owned Saline Wildlife Management Area, Catahoula and LaSalle Parishes, Louisiana for waterfowl purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Division of Administration has approved of this project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby request the Louisiana Department of Public Works to advertise for bids for the construction of an impoundment of approximately 500 acres in size on the Saline Wildlife Management Area, LaSalle and Catahoula Parishes, Louisiana and after receipt of the tabulation of bids, the Louisiana Department of Public Works shall notify the Commission of same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Yancey explained that bids were obtained by the District II, Fish and Game Personnel for the installation of a 16-inch water well to be located on the State owned Russell Sage Wildlife Management Area for the purpose of supplying water to a portion of the 2,000 acre green timber waterfowl management impoundment. He said only two bona fide bids were obtained and the low bidder was Hammett & Son, Rayville, Louisiana, in the amount of \$4,386.00. Mr. Yancey said several other water well drillers were contacted, however, none were able to bid on a well of this size. Mr. Yancey said the Louisiana Division of Administration has given approval on this project and therefore, recommended that the Commission approve the issuance of a purchase order to the low bidder.

On motion of Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the District II, Fish and Game personnel have obtained bids for the installation of a 16-inch water well to be located on

the State owned Russell Sage Wildlife Management Area, for which two bona fide bids were obtained, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Division of Administration has given approval on this project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby give approval to the issuance of a contract to the low bidder, Hammett & Son, Rayville, Louisiana, in the amount of \$4,386.00 for the installation of a 16-inch water well to be located on the State owned Russell Sage Wildlife Management Area, for the purpose of supplying water to a portion of the 2,000 acre green timber waterfowl management impoundment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Yancey explained that earlier this year, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission District II headquarter facility located in Monroe, was destroyed by fire. Plans and specifications for the construction of a new office have been completed by the Baker-Mathys Associates, Winnsboro, La., architects and Mr. Yancey requested Commission approval for the submission of the plans and specifications to the Louisiana Division of Administration for advertisement for bids on this job which is estimated at \$225,000.00.

On motion of Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, ON February 19, 1967, the Commission's District II Monroe Office was destroyed by fire, caused by lightening, and

WHEREAS, Baker-Mathys Associates, Architects, have completed plans and specifications for the construction of new facilities of which a major feature of the project will be a laboratory and fish hatchery component as well as an office building to house personnel working in the district.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby request that the Louisiana Division of Administration advertise for bids for the construction of new office and fish hatchery facilities to be located at the existing site of the District II Monroe Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Allan Ensminger to explain the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Ensminger explained that the work involved for the construction of one spud barge for Marsh Island has been completed by the Intercoastal Shipyard, Inc., of Morgan City, La., under Division of Administration Contract No. 635. Mr. Ensminger said the barge has been delivered to the location at Marsh Island Refuge and is found to be in full compliance with the contract and thereby recommended that the Commission approve the acceptance of same.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS; the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has inspected and found that the contractor has satisfactorily completed work specified under contract No. 635, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and Intercoastal Shipyard, Inc. for

the construction of one flatdeck spud barge and it is recommended that the same be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by Intercoastal Shipyard, Inc. under Contract No. 635, with said Commission, be and is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to furnish the contractor a certified copy of this resolution for filing in the Mortgage Records of St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Marc Dupuy, Jr. to explain the purchase of land adjacent to the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area.

Mr. Dupuy explained that since he was the attorney representing the land owners in the purchase of the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area, he has investigated the possibility of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission acquiring title to lands and waterbottoms adjoining this area. Mr. Dupuy said he located some land for sale, approximately 40 acres, which adjoins the Commission owned land in Avoyelles Parish. This property is presently owned by Mr. Clarence Rico of Moreauville, Louisiana, who is willing to sell same to the Commission at \$73.00 per acre or a total of \$2,920.00, payable in cash, within the calendar year 1967, and they will also have the reservation of all mineral rights.

Mr. Jones then made the motion favoring the purchase of the land; however, it would be subject to the approval of the Louisiana Division of Administration and application for reimbursement of half the purchase cost will be made to the U. S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Norris, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, on July 26th, 1966, the Commission resolved to accept the offer of certain persons and corporations, being the valid recorded owners of approximately 11,273 acres of land in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, and to purchase said lands from those owners, which properties were described in the resolution of July 26th, 1966; and

WHEREAS, the purchases were completed and placed of record in the official records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, on November 16th, 1966, and the area has been designated by the Commission as the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has now received a written offer by Mr. Clarence Rico of Moreauville, Louisiana, to sell to the Commission for the price of Seventy-Three and No/100 (\$73.00) Dollars per acre and other considerations stated in his written offer, two (2) small tracts of land totaling approximately forty (40) acres, adjoining and contiguous to property owned by the Commission in the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area; and

WHEREAS, the land is being offered for the same consideration as the Commission paid for all adjoining properties in the Management Area, and the property being offered is of like nature and value to that which has been acquired by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of this additional property has been carefully considered by the Chairman and all Members of the Commission, the Director and his Staff, and it is considered that the acquisition thereof would be most favorable and advantageous as an addition to the Wildlife Management Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission purchase from Mr. Clarence Rico the property hereinafter described as Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof, and situated in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, for the consideration of Seventy-Three and No/100 (\$73.00) Dollars per acre, the reservation by the vendor in perpetuity of all of the oil, gas and other minerals, and the provision that should the property cease to be used for game management purposes and sale is contemplated, that the former vendor be granted a right of first refusal to reacquire title, if the contemplated sale is to be by private sale, or be given written notice a reasonable time in advance of the contemplated sale, if the contemplated sale is to be by sealed competitive bidding, all subject to the following conditions, exceptions and reservations:

(a) The vendor will furnish to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission a title insurance policy covering the lands purchased, issued by a company acceptable to the vendee. The policy will be subject to the exceptions hereinafter set forth.

(b) The conveyance shall be subject to the reservation in perpetuity of all oil, gas and other minerals made by the vendor in the conveyance, and subject to any mineral reservations made by prior owners, and to all rights of ingress and egress for the proposed drilling for and producing said minerals, and other surface uses of said lands as provided for in the deeds of record in the office of the clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish.

(c) The conveyance shall be subject to the provisions that should the property cease to be used for game management purposes, and sale is contemplated, that the former vendor be granted a right

of first refusal to reacquire title, if the contemplated sale is to be by private sale, or be given written notice a reasonable time in advance of the contemplated sale, if the contemplated sale is to be by sealed competitive bidding.

(d) Vendor shall convey said lands subject to all servitudes of rights-of-way for highway and utilities, timber sales and surface leases and any other servitudes of record in the office of the Clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish.

(e) Vendor shall not warrant the exact number of acres sold, and the acreage to be acquired will be accepted in accordance with the latest United States Government Survey; should it develop by later survey that the acreage is more or less than stipulated on the deed, neither vendor nor vendee will be accountable therefor to the other.

(f) Vendor shall not be responsible for any adverse claims of title to any of the lands not disclosed by the records in the office of the Clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

(g) The warranty of vendor shall be limited to the obligation to return the purchase price in the event of failure of title.

(h) The ad valorem taxes on said lands for the past three years, including the year 1966 shall be paid by vendor; taxes for the year 1967 shall be pro-rated as of the date of sale, based on the assessment of the previous year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Jimmie Thompson, Chairman, and Mr. H. B. Fairchild, Vice-Chairman, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to act for and on behalf and in the name of this Commission to purchase the above mentioned lands, and to sign any

and all necessary deeds and documents in connection therewith, to pay the purchase price thereof and all pertinent and necessary and usual expenses of the purchase, which said deeds and documents may contain such additional conditions, stipulations, and provisions as they may deem wise and to the best interest of the Commission.

EXHIBIT " A "

A certain tract of parcel of land containing 35 acres, more or less, and being all that portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township One North, Range Five East, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, lying north of the Bayou des Glaisses levee, and bounded now or formerly on the North by Lyso Coco, et al, East by Merlin L. Lacour, South by the Bayou des Glaisses levee and/or Clarence Rico, and West by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, and being a portion of the same acquired from Harry J. Berry by deed dated October 21st, 1958, recorded in Conveyance Book A - 179, page 278, under Original Entry #173415, Records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

A certain tract or parcel of land containing 5 acres, more or less, lying in and forming a portion of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township One North, Range Five East, and bounded on the North by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, East by the Estate of B. F. Mayeux, South by the Bayou des Glaisses levee, and West by Irby J. Rico; and being the same acquired from Henry Rico by deed dated May 19th, 1958, recorded in Conveyance Book A - 176, page 445, under Original Entry #171580, Records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

All rights, title and interest in and to that certain right of passage 20 feet in width along the north side of Grande Ecore pits across property of Irby J. Rico in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township One North, Range Five East, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, and acquired by Clarence Rico by Judgment dated November 9th, 1965, in Suit #24680 of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, and further recognized by Judgment dated June 14th, 1966, in Suit #25435 of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, recorded in Conveyance Book A-220, page 260, under Original Entry #214681, Records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

Chairman Thompson then called on Mr. Joe Herring for the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Herring explained to the Commission that the Morehouse Parish Police Jury made a request to cancel the doe deer season for the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area. Mr. Herring said it is the recommendation of the biologists that this request be denied.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby take no action, thereby denying the request of the Morehouse Parish Police Jury in cancelling the doe deer season for 1967-68 on the Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area.

Mr. Herring said that during the spring of this year, the Commission's biologists compiled proposed regulations for the controlled removal of commercial fish from the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area. Since that time, personnel have had further discussions on the matter and have decided to submit their proposal to the Commission with the request that these regulations be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby make it manditory that the following rules and regulations be followed for controlling the removal of commercial fish from the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area:

1. Season will open each year on February 1 and close on October 31, or a period of nine (9) months.
2. Legal gear shall be limited to:
 - a. Trammel and gill nets of 3-inch mesh (square measure or larger).
 - b. Seines and hoop nets of 2-inch mesh (square measure or larger).
 - c. Trot lines
 - d. Yo-yos
3. All legal size commercial fish should be removed from the lake when caught and all trash fish regardless of size shall be removed.
4. Nets, boats and other hauling devices will be opened for inspection on request by Commission personnel.
5. Permits may be obtained from the District VI Office in Opelousas, either in person or by mail, P. O. Box 585, Opelousas, La., or from the area supervisor on the site of the wildlife management area.
6. Weekly reports as to catch will be filed at the District VI, Opelousas Office.
7. All nets will be legally licensed.
8. Fish can only be removed from nets and gear and the lake from sunrise to sunset.

9. Failure to comply with any of the above regulations will result in forfeiture of permits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the commercial fishing season on the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area for 1967 shall begin at sunrise on October 7, 1967 and end on October 31, 1967.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Herring said the Commission has also received a request from the Justiss-Mears Oil Company for a salt water disposal line across a portion of the Saline Wildlife Management Area. Mr. Herring said this right-of-way would run approximately 120 feet. He then recommended that the Commission approve this request as it would prevent pollution in the area as well as benefit the wildlife in the area.

On motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kyle, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant permission to the Justiss-Mears Oil Company for a right-of-way across the Saline Wildlife Management Area, to run approximately 120 feet for the purpose of establishing a salt water disposal line. Permission is hereby granted to the Justiss-Mears Oil Company provided they are in agreement with certain terms and conditions as stipulated in the agreement which shall be binding upon them, for the protection and benefit of the wildlife in the area and prevention of pollution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Herring said the Louisiana Department of Public Works has notified the Commission of the completion of the boat launching ramp and parking area on Lake Claiborne in Claiborne Parish, as completed by McInnis Brothers, Inc., Contractor. Mr. Herring recommended that same be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, State of Louisiana, has certified to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the Contractor has completed Contract No. 5852, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and McInnis Brothers, Inc., Contractor, for the construction of a boat launching ramp and a parking area on Lake Claiborne in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana and has recommended that the same be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by McInnis Brothers, Inc., Contractor, under Contract No. 5852, with said Commission, dated May 12, 1967, be and is hereby accepted and extension of time granted to the date of this acceptance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Mortgage Records of Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.

Mr. Herring also explained that the Louisiana Department of Public Works notified the Commission of the completion of the construction of a boat launching ramp, parking area, treated timber pier and an approach channel on Caddo Lake, Caddo Parish, Louisiana as contracted by H & H Contracting Company, Inc. Mr. Herring recommended that the Commission approve of same.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, State of Louisiana, has certified to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the Contractor has completed Contract No. 5838, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission and H & H Contracting Company, Inc., Contractor, for the construction of a boat launching ramp, a parking area, a treated timber pier and an approach channel on Caddo Lake in Caddo Parish, Louisiana and has recommended that the same be accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by H & H Contracting Company, Inc., Contractor, under Contract No. 5838, with said Commission, dated April 14, 1967, be and is hereby accepted and extension of time granted to the date of this acceptance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Mortgage Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

Mr. Herring stated the Commission received a request and petition from the Louisiana Field Archery Association to open the Red Dirt Game Management Area to bow hunting. Mr. Herring said this area had been closed to hunting due to the research program presently in progress which is expected to continue for a period of one year. Mr. Herring recommended that the area remain close for the hunting year asking that the Commission concur on this matter.

On motion of Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby deny the request of the Louisiana Field Archery Association to open the Red Dirt Game Management Area to bow hunting as the Commission concurs with the Commission's biologists recommendations that this area be closed until after the research program, presently in progress, is completed.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, on motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Norris, the meeting was adjourned.

Leslie L. Glasgow
Director

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1966, the Commission resolved to accept the offer of certain persons and corporations, being the valid recorded owners of approximately 11,273 acres of land in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, and to purchase said lands from those owners, which properties were described in the resolution of July 26, 1966; and

WHEREAS, the purchases were completed and placed of record in the official records of Avoyelles Parish Louisiana on November 16, 1966, and the area has been designated by the Commission as the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has now received a written offer by Mr. Clarence Rice of Moreauville, Louisiana to sell to the Commission for the price of Seventy-Three and No/100 (\$73.00) Dollars per acre and other considerations stated in his written offer, two (2) small tracts of land totalling approximately forty (40) acres, adjoining and contiguous to property owned by the Commission in the Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area; and,

WHEREAS, the land is being offered for the same consideration as the Commission paid for all adjoining properties in the Management Area, and the property being offered is of like nature and value to that which has been acquired by the Commission; and,

WHEREAS, the acquisition of this additional property has been carefully considered by the Chairman and all members of the Commission, the Director and his staff, and it is considered that the acquisition thereof would be most favorable and advantageous as an addition to the Wildlife Management Area;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission purchase from Mr. Clarence Rice the property hereinafter described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof, and situated in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, for the consideration of Seventy-Three and No/100 (\$73.00) Dollars per acre, the reservation by the vendor in perpetuity of all of the oil, gas and other minerals, and the provision that should the property cease to be used for game management purposes and sale is contemplated, that the former vendor be granted a right of first refusal to reacquire title, if the contemplated sale is to be by private sale, or be given written notice a reasonable time in advance of the contemplated sale, if the contemplated sale is to be by sealed competitive bidding, all subject to the following conditions, exceptions and reservations:

(a) The vendor will furnish to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission a title insurance policy covering the lands purchased, issued by a company acceptable to the vendee. The policy will be subject to the exceptions hereinafter set forth.

(b) The conveyance shall be subject to the reservation in perpetuity of all oil, gas and other minerals made by the vendor in the conveyance, and subject to any mineral reservations made by prior owners, and to all rights of ingress and egress for the proposed drilling for and producing said minerals, and other surface uses of said lands as provided for in the deeds of record in the office of the clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish.

(c) The conveyance shall be subject to the provisions that should the property cease to be used for game management purposes, and sale is contemplated, that the former vendor be granted a right of first refusal to reacquire title, if the contemplated sale is to be by private sale, or be given written notice a reasonable time in advance of the contemplated sale, if the contemplated sale is to be by sealed competitive bidding.

(d) Vendor shall convey, said lands subject to all servitudes of rights-of-way for highway and utilities, timber sales and surface leases and all other servitudes of record in the office of the Clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish.

(e) Vendor shall not warrant the exact number of acres sold, and the acreage to be acquired will be accepted in accordance with the latest United States Government Survey; should it develop by later survey that the acreage is more or less than stipulated on the deed, neither vendor nor vendee will be accountable therefor to the other.

(f) Vendor shall not be responsible for any adverse claims of title to any of the lands not disclosed by the records of the office of the Clerk of Court of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

(g) The warranty of vendor shall be limited to the obligation to return the purchase price in the event of failure of title.

(h) The ad valorem taxes on said lands for the past three years, including the year 1967 shall be paid by vendor; taxes for the year 1968 shall be pro-rated as of the date of sale, based on the assessment of the previous year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Jimmie Thompson, Chairman, or his successor, and Mr. H. B. Fairchild, Vice-Chairman, or his successor, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to act for and on behalf and in the name of this Commission to purchase the above mentioned lands, and to sign any and all necessary deeds and documents in connection therewith, to pay the purchase price thereof and all pertinent and necessary and usual expenses of the purchase, which said deeds and documents may contain such additional conditions, stipulations, and provisions as they may deem wise and to the best interest of the Commission.

EXHIBIT "A"

A certain tract or parcel of land containing 35 acres, more or less, and being all that portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township One North, Range Five East, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, lying north of the Bayou des Glaisses Levee, and bounded now or formerly on the North by Lyso Coco, et al, East by Verlin L. Lacour, South by the Bayou des Glaisses levee and/or Clarence Rice, and West by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, and being a portion of the same acquired from Harry J. Berry by deed dated October 21, 1956 recorded in Conveyance Book A - 179, page 278, under Original Entry #173415, Records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

A certain tract or parcel of land containing 5 acres more or less, lying in and forming a portion of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township One North, Range Five East and bounded on the North by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, East by the Estate of B. F. Mayeux, South by the Bayou des Glaisses levee, and west by Irby J. Rice; and being the same acquired from Henry Rice by deed dated May 19, 1956 recorded in Conveyance Book A - 176, page 445, under Original Entry #171560, Records of Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.

All rights, title and interest in and to that certain right of passage 20 feet in width along the north side of Grande Ecere pita across property of Irby J. Rice in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 20, Township One North, Range Five East, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, and acquired by Clarence Rice by Judgment dated November 9, 1955 in suit #24680 of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, and further recognized by Judgment dated June 14, 1956 in suit #25435 of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, recorded in Conveyance